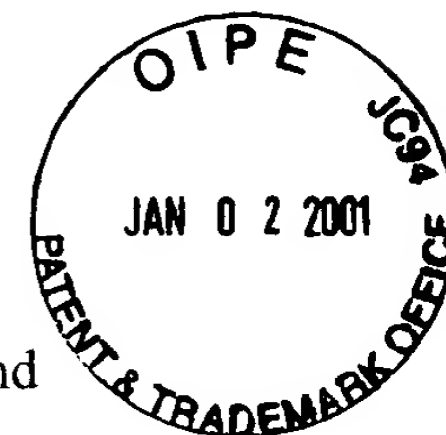


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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated October 3, 2000, the claims of Group I, Claims 1-12, 23-27, 50-54 and 56-58, drawn to methods of determining whether a biomolecule produces a phenotypic effect on a cell, are elected for prosecution. Applicant reserves the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions. Applicant does not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

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An extension of time to respond to the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested. A Petition for an Extension of Time of two months and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently.

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Respectfully submitted,

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